U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

In the Matter of RICHARD W. DAUGHERTY <u>and</u> U.S. POSTAL SERVICE, POST OFFICE, Cincinnati, Ohio

Docket No. 98-116; Submitted on the Record; Issued July 13, 1999

DECISION and **ORDER**

Before MICHAEL E. GROOM, BRADLEY T. KNOTT, A. PETER KANJORSKI

The issue is whether appellant has established that he sustained a recurrence of disability based on his accepted injury.

The Board has given careful consideration to the issue involved, the contentions of appellant on appeal and the entire case record. The Board finds that the August 26, 1997 decision of the hearing representative of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs is in accordance with the facts and the law in this case and hereby adopts the findings and conclusions of the hearing representative.

The decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs dated August 26, 1997 is hereby affirmed.

Dated, Washington, D.C. July 13, 1999

Michael E. Groom Alternate Member

Bradley T. Knott Alternate Member

A. Peter Kanjorski Alternate Member